

Plan Commission Minutes February 17, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. City Hall Council Chambers

Members Present:

Messrs. Larsen, Granlund, Seymour, Pederson and Brenholt

Ms. Christopherson, Obaid and Dr. Wolfgram

Staff Present:

Messrs. Allen, Petrie, Noel and Ms. Ness

The meeting was chaired by Mr. Larsen

1. Renewable Energy Action Plan (REAP)

Mr. Noel presented a request to recommend approval of the Renewable Energy Action Plan (REAP). He stated that in March 2018, the Council passed goals that the City operations and the community become carbon neutral and run on 100% renewable energy by 2050. He spoke about the documents to achieve this goal and about the sub-action plans of Electric Vehicle Roadmap, Net Zero Energy Building Guide and Solar-Ready Guide. He noted that the Sustainability Advisory Committee will review the plan on February 18th for recommendation. Also noted that the City Council will review the REAP at their February 24th meeting and vote on the plan on February 25th.

Brian Larson, 205 Roosevelt Avenue, chairperson of the Sustainability Advisory Commission, spoke in support of the plan.

Ms. Obaid moved to recommend approval of the REAP. Seconded by Dr. Wolfgram and motion carried.

2. **Discussion/Direction**

A. Downtown Parking Study

Ms. Ness presented the downtown parking study of the findings which started in the spring of 2019 to update the 2014 Downtown Parking Study. She noted the plan included North and South Barstow Business Districts along with the Third Ward and Historic Randall Park Neighborhoods, West Grand Avenue and Water Street Business Improvement Districts. The Commission held a discussion about the cost for parking, University problems within the neighborhoods and future parking ramp plans. Ms. Ness noted that a public hearing will be scheduled in March to be presented to the Council.

B. Parking Standards

Mr. Petrie presented an introduction to a review of the parking standards, which is part of the 2020 Work Program, and noted the existing parking standards within the zoning code. He noted in 2016, the parking standards for multi-family changed to one parking stall per bedroom. The Commission held a discussion about parking standards, costs within a development and concerns of the existing standards.

C. 5-year Comprehensive Plan Review

Mr. Allen presented the Comprehensive Plan 5-year Review which is an opportunity to review and update the 2015 Comprehensive Plan. He noted the review of the 2005 Comprehensive Plan in 2011 and went over the process. This will be an ongoing discussion with the Commission on future agendas.

D. Code Compliance Items. None.

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- E. Future Agenda Items. None.
- F. Additions or Corrections to Minutes. None.
- 3. <u>Minutes</u>

The minutes of the meeting of February 3, 2020 were approved.

Terry Pederson, Secretary